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AMENDMENT

Via Facsimile Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 26, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.